

THE HONORABLE THOMAS S. ZILLY

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON**

PROJECT VERITAS,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR  
UNIVERSITY, and THE UNIVERSITY OF  
WASHINGTON

Defendants.

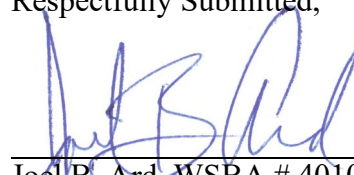
No. 2:21-cv-01326-TSZ

PLAINTIFF PROJECT VERITAS'  
NOTICE REGARDING RULE 26(f)  
CONFERENCE

This Court directed the parties to hold a Rule 26(f) Conference by Friday, January 14, 2022. [See Dkt. 13 at 1; Dkt Entry Nov. 16, 2021.] The Court has not amended this requirement or granted a stay of any discovery obligations in this case. Plaintiff understands that the Court's discovery obligations remain in full force and effect and, therefore, has attempted to comply with them by asking Defendants to participate in a Rule 26(f) conference on multiple occasions. [See Dkt. 32, Ex. 1, at 10–11]; (Email from Elizabeth M. Locke, Plaintiff's Counsel, to Defendants' Counsel (Jan. 13, 2022) (Ex. A)). Defendants, however, have refused to participate in a Rule 26(f) conference, asserting they are not bound by this Court's scheduling orders due to their reliance upon a state procedural statute. [See Dkt. 32 at 3; Dkt. 32, Ex. 3, at 17; Dkt. 32, Ex. 5, at 24.] Accordingly, no Rule 26(f) Conference has taken place. Plaintiff stands ready to participate in the Rule 26(f) Conference and to comply with all other deadlines set by this Court and/or the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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2 Dated: January 17, 2022

Respectfully Submitted,

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